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SUBJECT: EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE: REQUEST FOR
FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE

1. HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE'S (HKP) RECRUITING TEAM FOR LECTURERS FOR RAPIDLY EXPANDING PROGRAM WILL VISIT LOS ANGELES, CHICAGO AND NEW YORK DURING MARCH 1974. TEAM NEEDS HELP OF THIRTEEN AMERICAN EXPERTS TO ASSIST TEAM IN CONDUCTING INTERVIEWS. CAN THE OFFICE OF FACILITATIVE SERVICES OR CONFERENCE BOARD FIND THESE SPECIALISTS?
2. HKP IS GOVERNMENT SCHOOL ACCEPTING STUDENTS WHO HAVE HAD MINIMUM FIVE YEARS SECONDARY SCHOOL. IT NOW HAS SMALL ENROLLMENT. BY 1978 EXPECTS TO HAVE 8,000 FULL-TIME AND 20,000 PART-TIME STUDENTS. EXPANSION PLANS REQUIRE THAT IT EMPLOY 130-140 NEW LECTURERS EACH YEAR FOR NEXT SEVERAL YEARS. RECRUITING TEAM OF THREE VISITING AUSTRALIA, THE U.S. AND ENGLAND ON THIS TOUR. HAVE HAD MANY U.S. APPLICANTS AND WILL BE INTERVIEWING THOSE WHOSE APPLICATIONS INDICATED THEY MAY BE QUALIFIED.
3. IN LOS ANGELES, TWO AMERICAN EXPERTS NEEDED ON MARCH 11. ONE TO HELP MORNING INTERVIEWS OF TWO PRINCIPAL LECTURERS IN INDUSTRIAL DESIGN. ONE TO HELP AFTERNOON INTERVIEWS OF FOUR LECTURERS IN MATH AND PHYSICS.
4. IN CHICAGO, THREE EXPERTS NEEDED ON MARCH 13 AND 14. MARCH 13 MORNING AND AFTERNOON, AND MARCH 14 MORNING, ONE

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EXPERT TO HELP INTERVIEW NINE CANDIDATES IN PHYSICS AND MATH;

MARCH 13 AFTERNOON AND MARCH 14 AFTERNOON, ONE EXPERT TO HELP INTERVIEW ONE PRINCIPAL LECTURER IN BUSINESS AND TWO PRINCIPAL LECTURERS IN ACCOUNTING AND MANAGEMENT. MARCH 14 AFTERNOON, ONE EXPERT TO HELP INTERVIEW ONE PRINCIPAL LECTURER IN INDUSTRIAL AND PRODUCTION ENGINEERING.

5. IN NEW YORK, EIGHT EXPERTS NEEDED MARCH 18-21. MARCH 18 MORNING, ONE EXPERT TO HELP INTERVIEW ONE SENIOR LECTURER IN ACCOUNTING AND MANAGEMENT, AND FOUR SENIOR LECTURERS IN BUSINESS. MARCH 19 WHOLE DAY, ONE EXPERT TO HELP INTERVIEW SIX CANDIDATES IN PACKAGING, PRODUCT AND INDUSTRIAL DESIGN. MARCH 20 WHOLE DAY, ONE EXPERT IN ENGLISH AS FOREIGN LANGUAGE TO HELP INTERVIEW SIX CANDIDATES IN TEACHING OF PRACTICAL ENGLISH AND TECHNICAL ENGLISH TERMS. MARCH 20 AFTERNOON, ONE EXPERT TO HELP INTERVIEW TWO ASSOCIATE LIBRARIANS. MARCH 21 MORNING AND EARLY AFTERNOON, ONE EXPERT TO HELP INTERVIEW FIVE LECTURERS IN MATH AND PHYSICS. MARCH 21 AFTERNOON, ONE EXPERT TO HELP INTERVIEW ONE HIGH-LEVEL MARINE ENGINEER AND TWO MECHANICAL ENGINEERS. MARCH 22 MORNING, ONE EXPERT TO HELP INTERVIEW TWO PRINCIPAL LECTURERS IN PRODUCTION AND INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING. MARCH 22 PART OF MORNING AND AFTERNOON, ONE EXPERT TO HELP INTERVIEW FIVE CANDIDATES IN TEXTILES.

6. DUE LACK OF PRELIMINARY BUDGET PLANNING HKP CAN ONLY PROVIDE US\$50-75 PER DAY DEPENDING ON LENGTH OF TIME OF SERVICE, FOR EACH EXPERT TO COVER THEIR INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

7. RECRUITING TEAM WILL BE INTERVIEWING ADDITIONAL CANDIDATES IN FIELDS WHERE TEAM MEMBERS HAVE EXPERTISE.

8. TEAM HEADED BY KING-MAN LO, ACADEMIC SECRETARY (SIMILAR TO DEAN OF STUDENTS), HKP, AND FORMER IV GRANTEE 1969. ALL FLUENT IN ENGLISH.

9. IF AMERICAN SCHOLARS CAN BE FOUND TO ASSIST, PLEASE ASK THEM TO REPORT TO HONG KONG TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL OF EACH CITY. COUNCIL

ADDRESS IN LOS ANGELES, 606 SOUTH HILL STREET, SUITE 401, TEL. 213-622-3194/5, REPRESENTATIVE MR. ALAN WONG; CHICAGO, 333 NORTH MICHIGAN AVENUE, SUITE 1511, TEL. 312-726-4515/6, REPRESENTATIVE NISBERT KWONG; NEW YORK, UNCLASSIFIED

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548 FIFTH AVENUE, TEL. 212-582-6610, REPRESENTATIVE MR. FRANCIS LO.

10. TEAM WILL BE IN SYDNEY MARCH 5-10. STAYING MENZIES HOTEL. CAN ALSO BE CONTACTED THROUGH HONG KONG TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, SYDNEY REPRESENTATIVE MR. FRANCIS INGE.

11. TEAM ARRIVING LOS ANGELES MARCH 10, STAYING BILTMORE HOTEL;

ARRIVING CHICAGO MARCH 12, STAYING SHERATON-BLACKSTONE HOTEL;
ARRIVING NEW YORK MARCH 18, STAYING STATLER HILTON.

12. POST BELIEVES THIS PROJECT WILL CONTRIBUTE SUBSTANTIALY TO
BASIC GOALS OF U.S. EXCHANGE PROGRAM AT LITTLE OR NO COST TO U.S.

13. IN GREAT BRITAIN, AN ASSOCIATION HELPS THE HKP WITH RECRUITING.
IS THERE ANY POSSIBILITY THAT THE CONFERENCE BOARD OR SOME OTHER
ORGANIZATION COULD HELP HKP IN THE U.S. IN THE FUTURE, PRESUMABLY
UNDER A CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENT? IF THIS IS WORTH EXPLORING
FURTHER LO COULD PROBABLY VISIT WASHINGTON OR MEET SOMEONE IN
NEW YORK AFTER INTERVIEWS COMPLETED.

14. SINCE LO DEPARTING FOR SYDNEY MARCH 5, WILL APPRECIATE REPLY
SOONEST INDICATING WHETHER OR CONFERENCE BOARD WILLING
TO TRY TO HELP.
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